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Our assistant superintendent is a native of Rhode Island which may account for his working his way through Brown University, (Phi Beta Kappa and Sigma Xi), class of 1927. This education, abetted financially by successive positions as a clerk in an automotive accessory shop, work in a real estate office, the management of a wholesale jewelry store and free lance accounting, was further enhanced by a medical course at Johns Hopkins, class of 1931. His friends there remember him as the Phi Beta Pi house manager who built a new house without any funds. Next came a year at the Hospital for The Women of Maryland.

In 1932, Dr. Pastore came to New York Hospital as assistant resident in Obstetrics and Gynecology and in 1935 became a full time attending physician in that service. With a somewhat incongruous interest in gadgets he invented a blood measuring apparatus in 1934 and figured promi-

nently in the original blood bank installation in the Woman's Clinic in 1936.

We all now know him best as the Assistant Superintendent, which position he took in January 1940. Dr. Pastore was married to Miss Alice Fogg in 1935 and we venture that in addition to a hobby of model railroads, much extra-hour time will be absorbed by his charming little daughter, Susan. Thus we present the "Director of War-time Activities."

## THE AIR RAID PRECAUTION'S COURSE

A group of fifteen Hospital employees who volunteered after-hour time on Tuesday evening have recently completed a five-session basic course in air raid duties and precautions given under the auspices of The American Women's Voluntary Services. The group was instructed on war gases, types of bombs, methods of firefighting and sundry other problems which may soon be ours; each member made a ten-block survey of his or her own neighborhood and therefrom, drew a map indicating fire alarm boxes, hydrants, police alarm boxes, standpipes, reservoirs, one-way streets, large buildings, types of buildings, etc.

All who took the course agree to its worthiness and we recommend to others interested. Miss Jannette of Accounting can give you fuller details.

## HOSPI - TALES

This month the Accounting Department welcomes three new members--Martha Saladin in the Payroll Office, Rosalinda Betancourt in the Equipment Inventory Office and Julia Madden in the Cashiers' Office.

We also announce the resignation of Margaret Harvanek who is now working for the American Red Cross and George Sears who is to enter the armed forces. Mrs. Ruth Goodrich is transferring from evening duty to day duty to replace Mr. Sears.

Mrs. Helen Cleary Holdenecker of the Nursing Office is resigning on June 30 to take up household duties.

Congratulations to Dr. Robert N. Adamson, Intern in Dentistry, upon being the recipient of the rank of Lieutenant, Jr. grade, U. S. N. R.

Is it true that a certain "Bob" of the Protection Department may change his uniform, but not to one of the Army, Navy, or the Marines?

Dr. and Mrs. Milton J. Senn are the proud parents of a baby girl born in the New York Hospital on May 13th.

Dr. and Mrs. James Moore are happy to announce the arrival of a baby girl born in the New York Hospital on June 8th.

Dr. Homer I. Keck, Intern from Woman's Clinic just returned from a vacation in Ohio.

Miss Veronica Matus, from the Woman's Clinic, is spending her vacation at Sea Island, Georgia.

Miss Marcia Cronin, Nurse on M-3, is vacationing at her home in Gloucester, Massachusetts.

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Someone has described Washington as the only insane asylum in the country that is run by its own inmates.

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## MEN IN SERVICE

The following names are to be added to the roster of New York Hospital Employees who, during the month of May, have joined the Colors:

Army: Bernard Castellano and J. Hart from the Engineering Department, Harry Previda from the Laundry, Joseph Franchina, Frederick Harrop, Carey Proctor and Eugene Trice, orderlies, and Edmond Cuce from Medical Cardiology.

Navy: Fred Hoven, technician in the Medical Department.

James Gurzenda, formerly the Hospital optician, writes that a few ten-mile hikes with full packs, and examinations are keeping him busy at Camp Lee, Virginia. He now has a technician's rating in the Medical Corps.

Miss Mary Stiles, formerly of Social Service, has been assigned to Camp Devans, Massachusetts.

Lieutenant Peter Graffagnino, U.S.A.M.C., who was on last year's House Staff in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, stopped in for a visit the other day on his way to Camp Devans, Massachusetts.

Private William Lockwood, formerly of the Print Shop, is stationed at the 6th Armored Division, Camp Chaffee, Arkansas.

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## ANOTHER MILESTONE

This issue of THE PULSE marks the beginning of the fourth year of its existence. Let its editors be the first to admit that varied trends have been characteristic of this paper; it has enjoyed the brunt of "corny" poetry, the aroma of administrative censor and the criticism of all those, who on the one hand, read it but, on the other, never contribute to it.

Be all this as it may, there are those of us still willing to brighten its content as we trudge along.

## WE WON'T LET THEM DOWN!

There's only one important job for all of us - winning the war. The American fighting spirit at its best is vitally necessary to win this war and the work of the U.S.O. in building and maintaining the spirit of our armed forces is more than ever important.

The U.S.O. must raise \$32,000 000 to carry on its far flung activities and we have been called upon to do our share.

We cannot all be in the armed forces but we can and will help our boys. Contribution boxes are placed at the various public entrances and other points throughout the buildings.

## GRADUATION CORNELL MEDICAL COLLEGE

Wednesday June 10th, seventy-five students of the Class of 1942 received degrees of Doctor of Medicine at the Commencement Exercises in the College.

The following prizes were awarded:

Polk Prize For General Efficiency  
First Prize -Franklin Robinson  
Second Prize-John B. Pfeiffer  
Third Prize-John T. Flynn

Seeligmann Prize in Obstetrics  
First Prize -Otto W. Burtner  
Second Prize-Margaret M. Austin

Whiting Prize In Otology  
First Prize -Henry Bertull  
Second Prize-George Hathaway

Michaelis Prize In Medicine  
Awarded to Carlton C. Hunt

## THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL SCHOOL OF NURSING

The sixty-fifth graduation exercises of The New York Hospital School of Nursing were held Monday evening, June 8th, at 8:15 P.M. in the Auditorium of the Nurses' Residence.

The Reverend Dr. Horace W. B. Donegan of St. James Church, New York City, offered the invocation. President Roswell G. Ham of Mount

Holyoke College, Massachusetts, gave the Commencement address. Miss Bessie A. R. Parker, Director of the School of Nursing, presented the 33 members of the Class of 1942 to Mr. Augustine J. Smith, Secretary to the Board of Governors, who awarded the diplomas and badges. The Class then repeated the Florence Nightingale Pledge, after which Dr. Donegan pronounced the benediction.

Following the exercises, Miss Parker with President Ham, Mr. Smith, Emily Grove, President of Student Organization, and Mable Story, President of the Class of 1942, received the guests in the Lounge where refreshments were served.

#### VOLUNTEER AIR-RAID STAFF

The commendable work of our volunteer air-raid staff is well known. However, it is fitting to call attention to some of the lesser known but high spots of the evenings, as, for example, what goes on in the Red Cross workroom besides folding bandages? Judging by the laughter issuing from that section of L-3, many mirth-provoking tales must be unfolded there—and not only stories unfold, but the chairs as well, as one lass can testify after her death-defying slide under the table. Or were you just looking for a soda Krissie?

Another most amusing highlite of Monday evenings is that pinochle foursome who, up to this time, appear to be holding competitions to discover who can "go up" for the largest amount. Those scores are a model of how not to win, and this is one time when our Comptroller does not mind being "in the red".

#### MEDICAL UNIT #9.

At the 171st charter day meeting of the Society of the New York Hospital it was announced yesterday, June 18th, that the Army unit of fifty-five doctors and 120 nurses of the New York Hospital and Cornell Medical College had been called into service and its personnel would report for active duty on July 15th.

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#### NOSE COMMENTATOR

What's the cause, I wonder,  
That there grows  
Scarcely once an age or eon  
A (patrician or plebian)  
Faultless nose.

Just search anywhere for  
Lovely noses,  
You'll find them as rare as  
Pale blue roses.

Hair, eyes, lips, and ankles,  
Even toes,  
Flaunt their well-known beauty  
duly,  
But it's hard to find one  
truly  
Perfect nose.

Not a score of noses  
Have I met  
Worthy filing in a  
Cabinet.

Science, here's a project  
I propose:  
Through genetic disciplining  
Try to make more faces winning  
By a nose!

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LOST: A valuable pearl and diamond earring on Saturday, June 6th. Substantial reward. See Mr. Wells.